

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6373

S E C R E T CARACAS 0843

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, VE  
SUBJECT: NIEHOUS CASE

REF: STATE 15751

1. FBI FINGERPRINT EXPERT, JAMES K. HOWELL, CANNOT  
RPT NOT TAKE ANY FINGERPRINTS FROM BODY. THEREFORE  
NO IDENTIFICATION POSSIBLE BY HIM. HE IS RETURNING  
TOMORROW.

2. DR. LEON BERMAN, FORENSIC ODONTOLOGICAL SERVICE,  
INSTITUTE OF LEGAL MEDICINE OF THE JUDICIAL POLICE, TOLD  
HOWELL THAT HIS EXAMINATION WOULD TAKE TWO OR THREE  
WEEKS TO COMPLETE, AFTER WHICH TIME HE WOULD BE ABLE TO  
FURNISH INFORMATION CONCERNING RACE, AGE, HEIGHT,  
WEIGHT, AND POSSIBLY OTHER USEFUL DATA.

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